AB Rebilling Demonstration: Q&A

O1. When will more information be available?

A1. *Updated*- CMS will hold two special Open Door Forum conference calls. During the Open Door Forum conference calls, CMS will discuss the demonstration requirements and the enrollment process.

Please refer to the links below for the Special Open Door Forum invitations, with the dial-in and conference ID information.

November 30, 2011:

https://www.cms.gov/OpenDoorForums/Downloads/ABRebillingDemo113011.pdf

December 8, 2011:

https://www.cms.gov/OpenDoorForums/Downloads/ABRebillingDemo120811.pdf

Q2. When will the special Open Door Forum conference calls be held?

A2. *Updated*- CMS will hold two Open Door Forum conference calls to present the AB Rebilling Demonstration. They will be held on November 30, 2011 and December 8, 2011. Both will be conducted at 2pm ET.

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Q3. When can providers begin signing up for the AB Rebilling Demonstration?

A3. Enrollment will begin December 12, 2011 at 2:00 pm ET.

Q4. Which providers are eligible to participate in the AB Rebilling demonstration?

A4. To participate in the demonstration, a facility must not be receiving periodic interim payments from CMS, and must be a Medicare-participating hospital as defined by the Social Security Act §1886(d), a category which includes all hospitals paid under the Medicare Inpatient Prospective Payment System, but **excludes:**

- -Psychiatric hospitals paid under the Inpatient Psychiatric Facilities Prospective Payment System (IPF PPS),
- -Inpatient Rehabilitation Facilities (IRFs),
- -Long-Term Care Hospitals (LTCHs),
- -Cancer hospitals,

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- -Critical Access Hospitals (CAHs), and
- -Children's hospitals.

Q5. When will the demonstration begin?

A5. The demonstration will begin January 1, 2012.

Q6. *Updated*- What claims can be resubmitted in the demonstration?

A6. Inpatient claims denied during a Medicare Administrative Contractor, Recovery Auditor, or Comprehensive Error Rate Testing (CERT) audit after January 1, 2012 that are denied because the services were provided in the incorrect setting can be resubmitted as a new claim for the outpatient services provided. In addition inpatient claims self-identified by a provider because the services were provided in the incorrect setting can be resubmitted as a new claim for the outpatient services provided.

Q7. I have additional questions. Where can I send additional questions?

A7. Additional questions can be sent to <u>ABRebillingDemo@cms.hhs.gov</u>.

Q8. New- What is the benefit of participating in this demonstration, if we may already rebill for "ancillary" Part B payment?

A8. This demonstration will permit providers to receive 90% of the total Part B payment that they may have received if the claim was originally correctly submitted for outpatient payment. This eliminates the previous rebilling restrictions, which permitted providers to rebill for a limited list of ancillary services.

Q9: New- How can interested providers participate in the demonstration?

A9: The CMS will be conducting two Special Open Door Forum Conference Calls on AB Rebilling Demonstration. These Open Door Forums will provide the CMS the opportunity to explain the details of the demonstration, as well as how to request participation. The Open Door Forums will be held November 30th at 2PM ET and December 8th at 2PM ET. You do not need to register to participate. Please refer to the links below for the Special Open Door Forum invitations, with the dial-in and conference ID information.

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